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Applicant's amendments filed 1-9-02 and 3-19-02 (Papers No. 16 and 17, respectively) are acknowledged and have been entered. It is noted that newly added claim 63 recites fragments of the peptide according to claim 43 having pharmacological activity in humans. However in the remarks section of the amendment filed 1-9-02, applicants state they have limited the claims to the peptide of SEQ ID NO:1 and some derivatives, and therefore submit that the 112 first paragraph rejection over derivatives and fragments is overcome. However this statement is a contradiction in view of Applicant's newly added claim 63. Therefore, it is not clear if applicant intends to claim fragments. Clarification is required.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE EXTENDABLE MONTH, from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Amy DeCloux, Art Unit 1644, whose telephone number is (703) 306-5821.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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